REMARKS

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the detailed comments in the Office Action

dated May 4, 2005.

The claims have been amended to clarify the structure claimed, putting all of the claims

in condition for allowance.

None of the references cited disclose, teach or suggest "receivers of an elastic

material... disposed in ... attachment holes, said receivers having bore holes... such that

insertion of said pin [extending from each end of a slat] expands an outer diameter of said

receivers; fixing each of said receivers within... said framing member." Instead, the references

cited by the Examiner use conventional fasteners for attaching framing members to slats, as

distinguished in the background of the present application.

The amendments to the claims, now put the application in condition for allowance. The Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the amendments and indicate allowance

of the claims that are now pending in this application.

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